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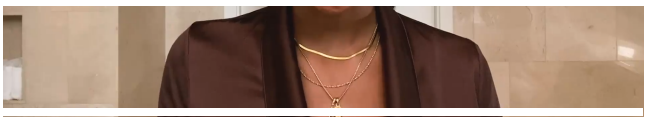
15 Rules From the Hobo Ethical Code of 1889



At the 1889 National Hobo Convention in St. Louis, a strict ethical code was established for all hobos to follow. Here are some tips we could all use, no matter what you carry in your rucksack.

1. YOU DO YOU.

"Decide your own life, don't let another person run or rule you."

2. SHOW SOME RESPECT.

"When in town, always respect the local law and officials, and try to be a gentleman at all times."

3. DON'T BE AN OPPORTUNIST.

"Don't take advantage of someone who is in a vulnerable situation, locals or other hobos."

4. GET A JOB.

"Always try to find work, even if temporary, and always seek out jobs nobody wants. By doing so you not only help a business along, but ensure employment should you return to that

town again."

5. BE A SELF-STARTER.

"When no employment is available, make your own work by using your added talents at crafts."

6. SET A GOOD EXAMPLE.

"Do not allow yourself to become a stupid drunk and set a bad example for locals' treatment of other hobos."

7. BE MINDFUL OF OTHERS.

"When jungling in town, respect handouts, do not wear them out, another hobo will be coming along who will need them as badly, if not worse than you."

8. DON'T LITTER.

"Always respect nature, do not leave garbage where you are jungling."

9. LEND A HAND.

"If in a community jungle, always pitch in and help."

10. PRACTICE GOOD HYGIENE.

"Try to stay clean, and boil up wherever possible."

11. BE COURTEOUS WHEN YOU'RE RIDING THE RAILS ...

"When traveling, ride your train respectfully, take no personal chances, cause no problems with the operating crew or host railroad, act like an extra crew member."

12. ... AND WHEN YOU'RE NOT.

"Do not cause problems in a train yard, another hobo will be coming along who will need passage through that yard."

13. HELP OUT THE KIDS.

"Help all runaway children, and try to induce them to return home."

14. SAME GOES FOR HOBOS.

"Help your fellow hobos whenever and wherever needed, you may need their help someday."

15. LEND YOUR VOICE.

"If present at a hobo court and you have testimony, give it. Whether for or against the accused, your voice counts!"

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With Black Friday and Cyber Monday still a few months away, online deals may seem harder to come by. And while it can be a hassle to scour the internet for promo codes, buy-one-get-one deals, and flash sales, Amazon actually has an extensive coupon page you might not know about that features deals to look through every day.

As pointed out by *People*, the coupon page breaks deals down by categories, like electronics, home & kitchen, and groceries (the coupons even work with SNAP benefits). Since most of the deals revolve around the essentials, it's easy to stock up on items like Presto! toilet paper, Tide Pods, Cascade dishwasher detergent, and a 50 pack of surgical masks whenever you're running low.

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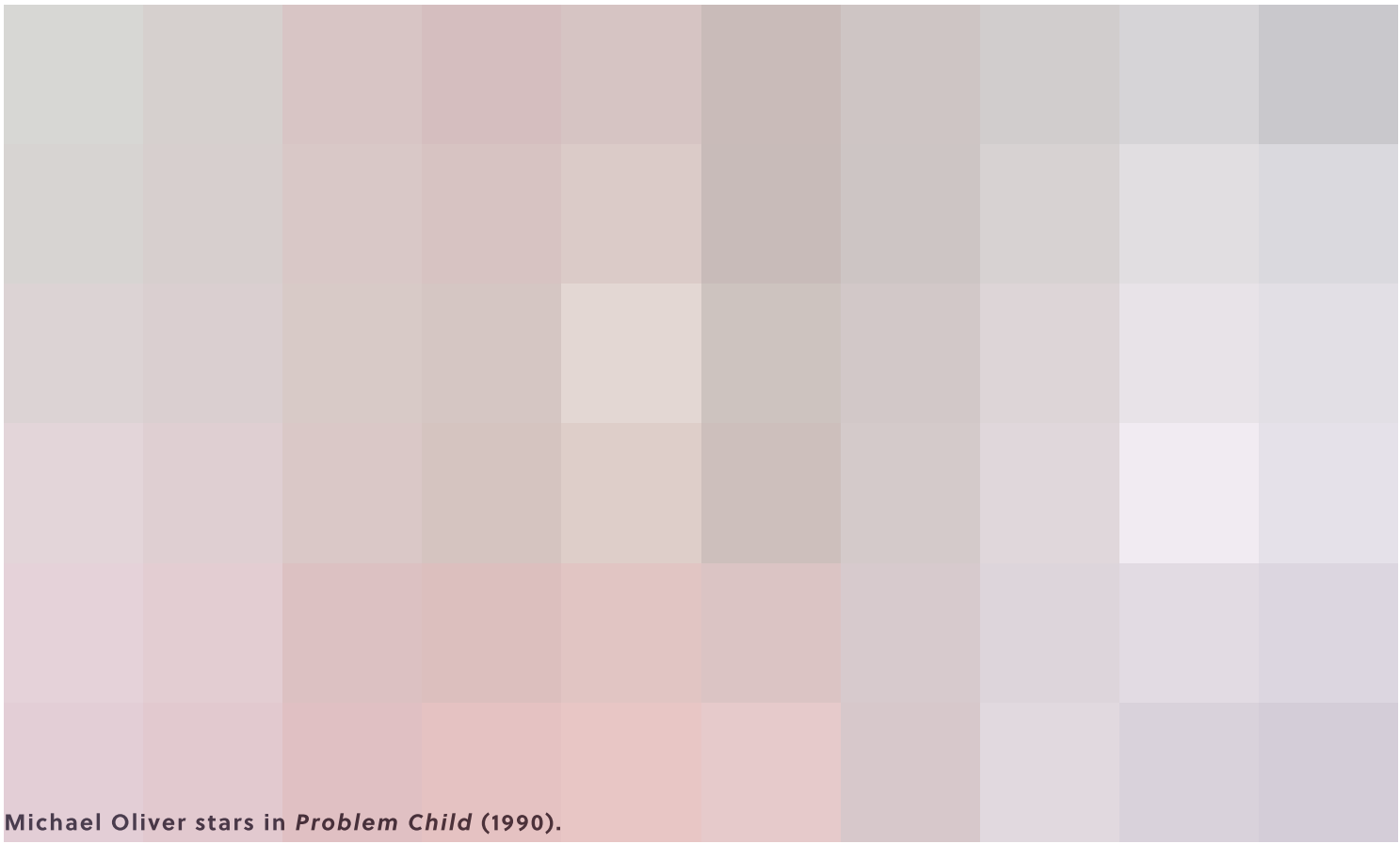

Michael Oliver stars in *Problem Child* (1990).

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The 25 Worst Movies of All Time, According to Rotten Tomatoes

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Though critiquing movies is a highly subjective business, some are just so good that critics can't help but agree about them—like *12 Angry Men* (1957) and *Toy Story* (1995), both of which have 100 percent "fresh" ratings on Rotten Tomatoes. But it's not only perfect films that foster unity among critics: Really awful ones can have the same effect.

Ballistic: Ecks Vs. Sever, which Roger Ebert called "a chaotic mess," is a prime example. The 2002 action film, starring Antonio Banderas and Lucy Liu, placed first on Rotten Tomatoes' list of the worst movies of all time. A film had to have at least 20 reviews to qualify for the list at all, and those with the same score were then ranked by number of reviews. In other words, not only does *Ballistic: Ecks Vs. Sever* have a score of 0 percent, but more reviewers were compelled to vouch for how bad it was than they were for any other 0-percenter on the list—and there are quite a few of them.

Of the top 25 worst films, all have 0 percent scores except the 1988 family film *Mac and Me*, which came in 22nd place with 4 percent. This suggests that a few kind critics have submitted positive reviews since Rotten Tomatoes published the list, or else there's an additional variable in the ranking algorithm.

If there's one clear takeaway, it's that acclaimed Hollywood A-listers aren't always enough to keep a flop afloat. In fact, most of the films on the list feature one or more venerable actors, including Eddie Murphy (2012's *A Thousand Words* ranked third), Michael Caine (1987's *Jaws: The Revenge* took

ninth place), and Diane Keaton (1993's *Look Who's Talking Now* landed in the 23rd spot). John Travolta starred in an impressive three: *Look Who's Talking Now*, *Staying Alive* (1983), and *Gotti* (2018).

While there aren't any movies in the top 25 that predate the early 1980s, it's not because undeniable stinkers didn't exist before then—according to Rotten Tomatoes, it's simply because movie reviews have been on the rise in the last few decades. Read on to find out how many of the worst movies you've suffered through, and see Rotten Tomatoes' full list of 100 here.

1. *Ballistic: Ecks Vs. Sever* (2002) // 0 percent
2. *One Missed Call* (2008) // 0 percent
3. *A Thousand Words* (2012) // 0 percent
4. *Gotti* (2018) // 0 percent
5. *Pinocchio* (2002) // 0 percent
6. *Superbabies: Baby Geniuses 2* (2004) // 0 percent
7. *Lady Killers* (2003) // 0 percent
8. *The Last Days of American Crime*

(2020) // 0 percent

9. *Jaws: The Revenge* (1987) // 0 percent
10. *Dark Crimes* (2018) // 0 percent
11. *The Ridiculous 6* (2015) // 0 percent
12. *Stratton* (2018) // 0 percent
13. *London Fields* (2018) // 0 percent
14. *The Nutcracker in 3D* (2010) // 0 percent
15. *Return to the Blue Lagoon* (1991) // 0 percent
16. *Problem Child* (1990) // 0 percent
17. *Wagons East!* (1994) // 0 percent
18. *3 Strikes* (2000) // 0 percent
19. *Shadow Conspiracy* (1997) // 0 percent
20. *Cabin Fever* (2016) // 0 percent
21. *Redline* (2007) // 0 percent
22. *Mac and Me* (1988) // 4 percent
23. *Look Who's Talking Now* (1993) // 0 percent
24. *Staying Alive* (1983) // 0 percent
25. *The Disappointments Room* (2016) // 0 percent

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